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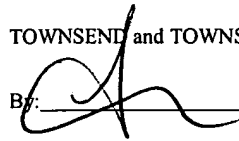
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In re application of:

Keiji Usuba

Application No.: 09/589,526

Filed: June 7, 2000

For: TRANSMISSION EQUIPMENT  
FOR NETWORK AND NETWORK  
TRANSMISSION SYSTEM

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 1152

Examiner: DALZID E. SINGH

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In response to the Final Office Action mailed March 24, 2004 on the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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